



USDA Foreign Agricultural Service

GAIN Report

Global Agriculture Information Network

Template Version 2.09

Voluntary Report - public distribution

Date: 3/25/2004

GAIN Report Number: SI4002

Slovenia

Livestock and Products

Unconfirmed BSE Finding

2004

Approved by:

Sarah Hanson
U.S. Embassy

Prepared by:

Andreja Misir

Report Highlights:

On March 22, the Slovenian National Veterinary Institute announced a suspected finding of bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE). If confirmed, this will be the fourth case since 2001. Final results will be available in two weeks.

Includes PSD Changes: No
Includes Trade Matrix: No
Unscheduled Report
Vienna [AU1]
[SI]

On March 22 , the Slovenian National Veterinary Institute informed the Veterinary Administration that a bovine brain sample (from four year old cow) reacted suspiciously during BSE testing. The sample was tested using the Enfer BSE test and Prionics Check Western test. The National Veterinary Institute will conduct pathohistological and immunohistological tests. The samples will also be sent to a reference laboratory in the Weybridge, Great Britain.

The final results will be known in two weeks. If confirmed positive this would be the fourth case since 2001 (see GAINS Report SI2001).